

2007 PSAT/NMSQT Improvement Workshop

In March 2007, the State Department of Education and the College Board will sponsor a series of regional PSAT/NMSQT improvement workshops, entitled the *Summary of Answers and Skills Workshops*, for South Carolina educators. This workshop is designed to assist school and district personnel in interpreting results from student performance on the PSAT/NMSQT. The information provided will allow schools to compare how students performed in comparison to comparable national and state groups on identical test items; link classroom activities with the skills the PSAT/NMSQT measures: critical reading, verbal reasoning, math problem solving, and writing skills; and foster discussion within the school on students' performance and skills.

Each attendee should bring an individual copy of the Summary of Answers School (SOAS) report to the workshop. This report is provided via secure online access and should be downloaded from the reporting.collegeboard.com website. Access codes will be included on the Student Roster of Scores sent to schools in December. Please print the Class of 2009 (sophomore).

The workshops will be held from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. on the dates and in the locations listed below. Registration will take place from 8:30 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. during which time light refreshments will be served, compliments of the College Board. You may access directions to each of the workshops using the links that are provided.

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| March 2, 2007 | Trident Technical Conference Center
Student Center Building Upstairs Room 410
http://www.muschealth.com/maps/4000riversave.htm |
| March 5, 2007 | Greenville Technical College
Barton Campus, J. Verne Smith Technical Resource Center
Directions: www.gt BMC.com/gt BMC_acc/directions.htm |
| March 6, 2007 | Midlands Technical College, Airport Campus
Mary Robertson Conference Center
Directions: http://www.mid.tec.sc.us/airportmap-b.htm |

To register for one of these workshops, complete the registration form and either mail, e-mail, or fax it to Sheila Boykin at The State Department of Education, 1429 Senate Street, Columbia, SC 29202; sboykin@ed.sc.gov; or 803.734.0476. Please note that space is limited at each site; therefore, we will fill slots on a first-come, first-served basis. Do not consider yourself registered unless you receive a confirmation email from Ms. Boykin. **The registration deadline for all workshops is Wednesday, February 21, 2007.**

If you have questions about this information, please contact Suzette Lee, Director, Office of High School Redesign and ACT/SAT Improvement at the State Department at 803.734.6103 or slee@ed.sc.gov or Ms. Boykin using the information cited above. We hope to see you at one of these informative regional workshops.